December 1995

Glen Canyon Park: Meetings About Its Future

by Barbara Zierten-*GPA Recreation & Park Chair*

The San Francisco Recreation and Park Department held two community meetings at the Glen Park Recreation Center to discuss a process for community involvement in the development of a Master Plan for Glen Canyon.

The first meeting was held on November 9th. At that meeting, Debra Learner, senior planner with Rec and Park, introduced Carolyn Verheyen, a facilitator with MIG, Inc., a Berkeley-based consulting group which has been hired by the City to organize community involvement regarding further plans for Glen Canyon. Ms. Verheyen presented the following plan structure. A working group will be formed consisting of representatives of the various park user groups. The group's mission will be to meet and discuss automobile access and protection of natural resources in Glen Canyon. It's task will be to study the issues, discuss alternative solutions, and develop a community-based consensus of recommendations for future park use.

A second community meeting was held on December 6, to discuss, confirm, and finalize which groups will provide representatives to the working group. The participants at the meeting agreed that the following park user groups should be represented on the working group: the Glen Park Association, Glen Ridge Nursery School, Glen Park Rec & Park staff, Silvertree Day Camp, GP DOG, neighbors living adjacent to the Park, Diamond Heights Community Association, unaffiliated park users, environmental groups, unaffiliated rec center users, and Neighbors for a Car Free Park.

The working group will begin meeting in early 1996. It is expected that the group will meet four or five times to discuss the issues involved. The Glen Park Association will be selecting a delegate and an alternate to the working group at the January 9, 1996 GPA meeting.

Please call Barbara Zierten at 239-4235 if you have any questions or comments regarding the process, the plan, or any other recreation and park issues.

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Glen Park Association Notes

DUES INCREASE TO BE VOTED

At the general meeting on January 9, 1996, at 7:00 PM in the Glen Park Recreation Center, a vote will be taken on a motion to increase the annual association dues to $10/member. This is an increase from current dues of $5/member.

DON'T FORGET

Your GPA membership expires December 31, 1995. Renew now for 1996 before dues increase.

THE GPA WANTS YOU!

Now is the time to step forward and donate your skills to your association. Officers for the 1996-1997 year will be elected at our February annual meeting.

The offices include: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Membership Secretary.

In addition, committee chairs, co-chairs, and participants are sought for the following neighborhood concerns:

Health & Environment - quality of life issues, liaison to library, noise abatement, etc.

Neighborhood Improvement - issues of beautification, enhancement, etc.

Newsletter Editor - computer & graphic skills a plus for our quarterly publication

Program - plan events, arrange speakers, etc.

Public Safety - attend monthly community policing meetings at Ingleside Police Station, keep GPA informed

Recreation & Parks - emphasis on issues surrounding our major natural resource

Traffic, Parking & Transportation - interact with public officials on issues affecting the neighborhood

Zoning & Planning - monitor city planning policies and specific building projects effecting the neighborhood

NOVEMBER SAFETY MEETING

Captain Michael Dower, SFPD Ingleside Station; Captain Bill Welch, oversees all major SFPD felony investigations in San Francisco; and Commander Gary Gee, BART police, met with more than 150 Glen Park residents at the November GPA meeting. The Police Department is vigorously investigating Gary Pattock's murder in October 1995, and is still actively pursuing the August 1994, Joseph Jaworowicz murder. Fourteen Police Inspectors investigate about 100 homicides annually, and they solve about 50 percent.

Captain Dower announced that we can expect our own beat officer in March 1996 so that Glen Park will have a regular and continuing police presence. He also reminded us of the monthly community policing meeting at Ingleside Police Station, and he encourages more active participation from the Glen Park neighborhood.

The representatives from SFPD and BART responded to many questions about personal and community safety but, because of their current status, declined to provide detailed responses to questions about the two neighborhood murders.

Coming in March 1996:

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GLEN PARK ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

- January 9, at 7:00 PM at the Glen Park Recreation Center.
- February 13, Annual Potluck & Election.
- March 12 - to be announced

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OCTOBER MAYORAL CANDIDATES NIGHT

Over 150 local residents from the Glen Park Association and the Diamond Heights Community Association gathered to hear from five mayoral candidates. Roberta Achtenberg, Ben Hom, Frank Jordan and Joel Ventresca were on hand to tell us their views for the City and answer our questions. To the disappointment of many, Willie Brown was a no show.

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Long time Glen Park resident Alice Gualco died December 22, 1995. Alice had lived on Paradise Street, across from Glen Canyon Park, for 35 years.

Long before the work "activist" came into vogue, Alice concerned herself with neighborhood affairs. When she saw something she did not like or wanted fixed, installed, or changed, she bird-dogged the official responsible until she received satisfaction. As a member of the Glen Park Property Owners Association she particularly concerned herself with the park, helping to prevent the widening of O'Shaughnessy and the destruction of a great deal of the park itself. She continued to be active in the current Glen Park Association until recently.

Alice was born June 15, 1921 in Meridan, Kansas. She served as a storekeeper in the WACS during WWII. Moving to San Francisco in the early 1950's she married Frank and lived on Arlington Street before moving to Paradise Street in 1960. She is survived by husband Frank and sons Frank Jr. and Mike.

Glen Park has lost a loyal and committed resident, neighbor and friend.

ANNUAL GLEN PARK ASSOCIATION POTLUCK

Join us for our annual potluck on February 13, 1996. Bring your family and a favorite family dish and enjoy a fun evening with your neighbors.

BRUCE CONNER AT THE WHITNEY

Local artist Bruce Conner is one of the feature artists in a retrospective called "Beat Culture and the New America: 1950-1965" at the Whitney Museum of American Art in New York City. Now through February 4, 1996. Bruce's collage films of the late '50s and '60s were featured in November at showings by both San Francisco Cinematheque and Berkeley's Pacific Film Archive.

"Life is life's greatest gift. Guard the life of another creature as you would your own because it is your own. On life's scale of values, the smallest is no less precious to the creature who owns it than the largest."

Lloyd Biggle, Jr.

WINTER RECIPE

On these cold winter days, there's nothing better than a cup of hot tea and a fresh scone.

Simple Scones

2 1/2 c. all-purpose flour
1 Tbs. baking powder
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 c. (one stick) cold, unsalted butter
1/4 c. sugar (1/3 c. if you prefer them sweeter)
2/3 c. milk

Preheat oven to 425°. Mix flour, baking powder, and salt in a large bowl. Slice the butter into pieces and, using fingers, rub into the flour (or use a pastry blender) until the mixture resembles small gravel. Add the sugar and mix well. Add the milk and stir using a fork, until a dough forms.

Take dough from the bowl and knead 15-20 times on a lightly floured surface. Split dough in half, form balls and flatten to a circle of 6-8 inch diameter. Cut each into 6 or 8 wedges and arrange on an ungreased baking sheet with sides slightly touching. Bake 10 - 12 minutes.

Scones should appear slightly doughy in the middle (they will continue to cook once removed. You do not want them to be dry). Wrap in a cloth and let cool. Serve with fresh whipped cream, butter and jam. YUMMY!

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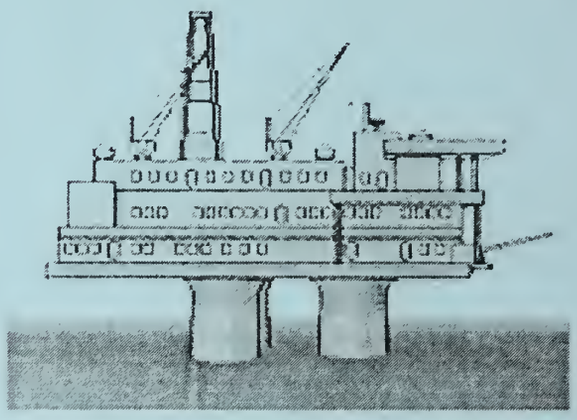

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